



Minutes of the Arlington Planning Commission / Design Review Board Meeting

Council Chambers
110 East Third Street
December 16, 2014

Commissioners Present: Vicki Hadley, Ken Levesque, Trevor Gaskin, and Tony La Salata.

Commissioners Absent: Bruce Angell, Mike Thomas, and Craig Chase.

Staff Present: Chris Young – Building Official, Troy Davis – Associate Planner, and Wendy Van Der Meersche – Commission Secretary.

In Commission Chair Angell's absence, Acting Commission Chair Hadley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed.

Visitors: Vernon Beach.

Also known to be present: Mike Hopson.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Levesque made a motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Gaskin seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Levesque made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of the minutes of **December 2, 2014**. Commissioner La Salata seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous vote.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

No continued business.

NEW BUSINESS

2015 Comprehensive Plan Update: Goals and Policies. Associate Planner Troy Davis introduced a checklist prepared by Washington State Department of Commerce, which included items that must be at least reviewed and updated as part of the 2015 update process.

There was a detailed discussion between staff and commissioners regarding existing goals and policies in the Comprehensive Plan (pages 1-32). Discussion revolved around whether the policies were still relevant, their specificity, whether they were too obvious, or lacked clarity.

2015 Comprehensive Plan Update: Subarea Review – Old Town. Mr. Davis led a discussion regarding the land use element of the comp plan and the different planning subareas within the city, with the discussion focusing on the Old-Town Subarea. This subarea language will need to be updated to reflect changes that have occurred since 2005. Reid Shockey, Shockey Planning Group, has put together a work sheet included in Attachment A, Exhibit III to help engage the Planning Commission on what the update will entail. A discussion between staff and

commissioners followed, with Vernon Beach commenting on the overlay designation west of the freeway and the changing of Burn Hill to Brekhus Beach. Mr. Davis stated that Mr. Shockey would like the Planning Commission to think of one issue for each sub-area.

Mr. Davis thanked Planning Commissioners for their feedback. He stated that City Council passed an ordinance declining the Olson Rezone Request per recommendations from Planning Commission at the meeting December 15.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Vicki Hadley, Acting Commission Chair



Wendy Van Der Meersche, Commission Secretary